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MEMORANDUM TO: Prosecution Section (Report No. 272)
THRU: Executive Officer, War Crimes Branch
SUBJECT: Murder of three Filipino civilians at Calut, Butua
Agusan, Mindanao, P.I., during the early part of
March 1945.

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II. SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE:

Sometime during the latter part of February 1945, an aged couple and their son were harvesting rice when they saw four Japanese soldiers coming towards them. The couple were tied and taken away by the Japanese while the son hid in a banana grove (R 3). After several days the bayoneted and beheaded bodies of these victims, and another Filipino civilian, were found nearby (R 1, 3, 6).

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